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For President-Elect in 1888,  
**General John A. Logan,**  
OF ILLINOIS.

The *Prairie Owl* is a new paper in Seward County.

WEBSTER, Rooks county, if the claim of the *Eagle* is not unfounded, is a city of music.

LEOTI CITY, Wichita county, is a rustling town, if the *Standard* of that place don't misrepresent.

Is it possible that St. John did not receive a special invitation to attend the funeral of Vice President Hendricks?

THE WORLD'S choice for president in 1888 is the Leavenworth Times' man for president pro tempore of the United States senate.

LEOTI CITY, Wichita county, has a new paper called the *Standard*. It is a very creditable sheet in all respects. C. S. Triplett is the editor and manager.

The death of that old-timer, Mr. Frank McNulty, of Stockton, is a matter of deep regret on the part of his many friends. He was in the Union army about all through the war, but was yet a young man when he died.

SOME teamsters are reported by the *Standard* as getting mad, and threatening to give Leoti City some back-handed advertising, because the merchants refuse to pay them more for hauling than teamsters already engaged were charging.

THE Kansas legislature, it is asserted editorially by many of our esteemed exchanges, will meet in extra session some time in January next. It doesn't seem to make any difference whether the governor takes a notion to call a special session or not.

In a *Commonwealth* of early this week, the statement was made that State Superintendent Lawhead was about to take a trip out to Wallace to investigate complaints of the illegal sale of school lands, and that from there he would go south to the Santa Fe railroad country on similar business.

THAT *Eagle* over at Webster is emphatic, if not peculiarly accurate in its synopses and other little points in grammar. Listen at it on the appointment of ex-Governor Glick as pension commissioner. In the meanwhile, the bond will please strike up a lively air: "Good Lord, what has the pensioners of Kansas done that they should be tortured in this way? The appointment of old Jeff Davis to the same position in Alabama, is now in order. Anybody for pension commissioner except Jeff Davis, ex-Gov. Glick, Sattan and the Devil?"

THE WORLD has read this item in so many papers within the last few months that we have concluded to publish it as the surest method of putting an end to its further appearance as editorial matter. Our prairie dog reporter happens to be out. We can not touch, therefore, for the entire truth of this narrative, but hope it is true; it reads so smoothly: "A Nebraska man has settled the question of how prairie dogs obtain the water they drink. He says they dig their own wells, each village having one with a concealed opening. He knows of one such well 300 feet deep, having a circular staircase leading down to the water."

#### OUR STREAMS.

The article which we publish elsewhere on "The Streams of Western Kansas" will repay a careful perusal.

THE WESTERN KANSAS WORLD aims to familiarize its readers with the true character of western Kansas. In order to do this, what is under the ground is as much an object of investigation as what is above it.

It occurs to the WORLD to drop a couple of hints in this direction, which will suggest others to inquiring minds: It is quite certain that, in very many western Kansas localities which have been considered dry, the closeness of water to the surface renders the securing of the article in ample quantities for domestic and live stock purposes a matter of ease, not to mention that the supply to be thus developed will, in some cases, be adequate for the irrigating of considerable ground. And the period is in dawn when tree culture will not be undertaken until an examination of the contiguity of the limestone formation to the surface has been made, with the view of shunning such spots for this branch of industry.

#### "TOPEKA'S FUTURE ASSURED"

Constitutes a prominent headline in Tuesday morning's *Commonwealth*. Ordinarily, it would be fair to pronounce this headline a joke, for is not the future of all Kansas towns assured? But the paper is in earnest, and produces figures to prove it. Here is the concluding paragraph:

It is timely mention, too, to say that instead of Kansas City getting the pension office and various other institutions from Topeka, we will take from the city at the mouth of the Kaw, a number of the railways now terminating within her corporation.

The WORLD trusts that the *Commonwealth* is posted in the premises. On general principles, the draining of the resources of the great state of Kansas to perpetuate the fortunes of a Missouri city seems absurd enough to make the average Kansan very sick. Yet, with the vast prestige which Kansas has already given to Kansas City as a commercial metropolis, nothing this side of heroic measures, stuck to with the most intense persistence, will avail any thing. This principle admits of easy illustration. Kansas City occupies the finest natural location in the lower Missouri valley for a great commercial center. This seems to be quite evident when the past careers of Leavenworth and St. Joseph are taken into account. Prior to the new commercial era begotten by the late war, each of these places did a far greater business than Kansas City. We regard the statement as entirely fair, that the war built up Leavenworth and tore down Kansas City. Following the close of that struggle, a few men saw the possibilities which were afforded Kansas City by her location. It is unnecessary to explain in this connection how Leavenworth frittered away her opportunities, beyond observing that she felt secure. Leavenworth felt this way until Kansas City had gained a good portion of the advantages which she has used to such thorough advantage. The avidity with which Kansas has patronized Kansas City has constituted the real commercial backbone of that place. To expect a general withdrawal of this support, and the consequent decay of Kansas City, would be to expect a miracle in the commercial world.

There is a bare possibility of building up a commercial center in Kansas. The most natural place to do this is at West Kansas City. We mean the advantages there, at present, are as ten to one for any other Kansas point. But, after all, what real Kansas outside of Wyandotte county would not as lief go into Kansas City with his custom, and be done with all contention? If there is in Kansas one point with any natural adaptability for overcoming the mistake of Kansans in building up a Missouri city, that point would seem to be Topeka. That place seems to be a coming railroad center. With this realized, and the prevalence of a proper commercial spirit on the part of her people, no reason appears to us why she shall not, as far, at least, as Kansas business may be concerned, become a respectable rival of Kansas City in the jobbing field. Even after the realization of this change, however, nothing short of a spirit of brave adherence on the part of the better class of Kansas business men to the fortunes of their own state could result in the success of this movement. It is fair to presume that the business man who is after the very biggest possible aggregation of the almighty dollars, regardless of what course the public interests of his state should inspire on his part, would find greater stocks of goods and a fractional difference in the matter of cheapness in the Kansas City wholesale houses. United effort, combined with steadiness of purpose, would soon level distinctions of this character. A probable result of this determination on the part of Kansas business men would

be the establishment of jobbing houses at Topeka by a portion of the better class of Kansas City jobbers. This would be a complete remedy for this danger.

At all events, the possible harvest is worth the effort. Let it be heroic.

#### NOT APT TO PAY.

The illegal taking of school land is likely to cost more than it comes to.

Attorney General Bradford is reported to have found that in the unorganized counties of Scott, Wichita, Greeley, Hamilton and Seward, fully 3,000,000 acres had been illegally taken. It is reported that he will extend his investigations east through Meade, Clark, Comanche and Barber.

EX-PRESIDENT HAYES was accorded "the place of honor" at the Hendricks funeral exercises on Tuesday. This would seem to indicate that there has been a general weakening of the cry of "fraudulent president" all along the Democratic line. This deduction seems, in fact, to rest on a sure foundation, for would the place of honor be accorded to an ex-president, who was at the time supposed to have been a fraudulent president, at the cost of giving the members of President Cleveland's cabinet interior positions at these same ceremonies?

#### Notice to Comrades.

The evening of December 15 will be the time for the election of officers of Captain Trego Post for the ensuing year. Let all the comrades turn out.

THOMAS CADDICK,  
Post Commander.

W. B. KRITCHFIELD,  
Adjutant.

To be Furnished.

At the regular meeting of Captain Trego Post, Tuesday evening, a committee of three, consisting of Comrades Sigler, Kyle and Kritchfield, was appointed to get up an entertainment for the purpose of furnishing the Post room.

A committee of three, consisting of Comrades Lyles, Kyle and Eecher, was appointed to have the Post room plastered and fixed in proper order.

#### Report of School

IN DISTRICT NO. 16 FOR THE MONTH COMMENCING NOV. 2 AND ENDING NOV. 27, 1885.

Total number enrolled—17.  
Average daily attendance—12.  
Number of visitors 2, viz—Mr. Thompson and Mr. Richardson.

The following are the pupils who have not been absent:

Harvey A. Richardson. Otto Schwanbeck. John H. Richardson. Geo. Richardson. Adolph Schwanbeck. Fred Schwanbeck. Wm. S. Richardson. Della Richardson. Eliza Richardson.

Have had few cases of tardiness.

THOMAS FOUTS, Teacher.

#### Relief Promised.

RAILWAY MAIL SERVICE,  
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT,  
ST. LOUIS, MO., Nov. 30, 1885.

W. S. Tilton, Editor "Western Kansas World," Wa-Keeney, Kansas.

DEAR SIR:—I am in receipt of yours of the 28th inst., regarding packages of your weekly paper being carried past Ogallah, Kansas, and thereby delayed. In reply I would state that this matter will be given immediate attention and such action will be taken as will, I trust, prevent recurrence.

Very respectfully,  
E. W. WARFIELD,  
Superintendent.

WESTERN KANSAS WORLD readers tributary to Ogallah post-office had so long been subjected to this outrage that we determined to adopt heroic measures for its relief.

In our letter to Mr. Warfield, we also made the statement that the grievance was not peculiar to us, but that such mail of our people generally was directed to Ogallah post-office was carried by that place, and returned, after various periods of delay, from the east.

#### Logan Should Be Elected.

Kansas City Journal.

There is no earthly reason why Gen. Logan should not be elected president of the senate and many reasons why he should. Precedent authorizes the election of a Republican, and the endorsement of the American people gave him a year ago shows that his qualifications for the office of vice president, which his election as president of the senate would virtually make him, were not doubted by nearly half of the legal voters of this country.

#### Our Navy.

The United States navy comprises thirty-nine vessels, and to officer this fleet we have, on the active list, seven rear admirals, fifteen commodores, forty-five captains, eighty-five commanders, twenty-four lieutenant commanders, twenty-five lieutenants, seventy-nine junior lieutenants, 188 ensigns, and seventy-six naval cadets; and in the staff, 160 doctors, 120 paymasters, and 242 engineers.

#### The President of the Senate.

Kansas City Journal, Monday.

The Democratic press is manifesting uneasiness about the situation with which the senate will be confronted when it meets next Monday, on account of the death of Vice President Hendricks. It will be called upon to elect a president of the senate, who will, in the event of the president's death or disability, succeed to the presidential duties until such time as a new election can be held under the law.

The senate will not be confronted with an exceptional case. Not later than four years ago, when Vice President Arthur became president at the death of Garfield, the senate elected a president who would have succeeded to Mr. Arthur's office, had he died or been disqualified in any way from discharging the duties of his office; and the Democrats being in a majority for a day elected Senator Bayard to be virtually the vice president of the United States, though the people had only a short time before elected a Republican president by an overwhelming vote, popular and electoral. Remembering this incident, we can not understand the logic of the Democracy which urges the United States senate to refrain from electing a Republican to the office of president of the senate, when the Republican party have a majority of eight in the senate.

To be sure the people expressed their preference a year ago for a Democratic administration by a plurality of 63,883 votes, and if a Republican be elected president of the senate, and were President Cleveland to die, there would be a political change in the country, and not of the people's making exactly. But the same thing might have occurred four years ago when Bayard was president of the senate, although Garfield and Arthur had been voted in.

The Republicans of the senate are authorized by precedent to elect a Republican president of the senate, and they would be recreant to their constituency if they failed to do so, for they represent constituencies as well as the administration, and greater constituencies, too, than do the less number of Democratic senators.

But let us say for the moment, that Democratic opposition to the election of a Republican president of the senate crystallizes more about Senator Logan than any other. We would ask, why? If the senate elects him president, can it in any way be censured for it, or will partisan prejudice be justified in condemning his election? The Republican majority is authorized by precedent to elect a Republican and would be recreant to its party if it did not, and we would ask, why should not Senator Logan be chosen as well as any other Republican? He is a reputable member of the senate, a senator long in service, a man of brains, qualified, earnest, honest, and a man who has prominently served his country in time of war as he has as a civilian. There are really good reasons why Senator Logan should be chosen over any other Republican.

He is the most prominent Republican in the senate by virtue of the fact that he has been the Republican party's candidate for the second office within the gift of the people. Millions voted for him, and thus endorsed his qualifications for that office. Moreover, he was returned to the senate after the senate committees were organized, and he is in the senate now without committee standing. His election to the presidency of the senate would prevent committee changes, and would, in fact, expedite the organization and business of the senate.

There are no reasons why Senator Logan should not be elected president of the senate, and "the proprietors" about which the Democrats who elected Bayard four years ago talk so much, would in no way be violated by his election.

#### Down With Horse-Racing!

Marian County (Kan.) Record.

We say frankly that we take no stock in the modern horse-races. We think they are breeders of vice. They attract gamblers and thugs, and seem to be especially congenial to that class of fellows. They debauch the common conscience till a gambler, called a pool-seller, can stand up in a stone's throw of a cemetery, where the Christian fathers and mothers of the town are buried, and boldly ply his shameful and shameless "business" without protest from, and with no apparent discomfort to, the scores of people present! We are opposed to the modern horse-race because it debases the nobler sensibilities of men. Why! we stood on the Peabody fair grounds one day and saw half a dozen little boys astride wild, vicious "racers," some of them strapped to the dangerous animals, and the lives of all certainly in danger, and we felt mean and cowardly ourselves, and had contempt for every so-called man who stood there and witnessed such a scene without protest. As we witnessed that spectacle, we thought this boasted age and land of civilization had not much advantage after all over the cruel, brutal, gladiatorial exhibitions of ancient Rome.

For several years Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been prized for its speedy and certain cures of cough. It is the favorite and main reliance with thousands of mothers. It will not only cure cough, but if freely used as soon as the first indication of the disease appears, that is as soon as the child becomes the least hoarse, it will prevent it, doing away with all danger and anxiety. There is not the least danger in giving the remedy freely, as it contains no injurious substance. Sold by B. Wagner & Co.

#### Excitement in Texas.

Great excitement has been caused in the vicinity of Paris, Texas, by the remarkable recovery of Mr. J. E. Corley, who was so helpless he could not turn in bed or raise his head; everybody said he was dying of Consumption. A trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery was sent him. Finding relief, he bought a large bottle and a box of Dr. King's New Life Pills; by the time he had taken two boxes of pills and two bottles of the Discovery, he was well, and had gained in flesh thirty-five pounds. Trial bottles of this Great Discovery for Consumption free at Jones & Farris's.

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